

Board of Health  
Meeting Minutes

**Board Members:**

Phil Durno, Chairman, Virginia Malouin, Member, Margie LaFleur, Member

**Staff:**

Kalene Gendron (KG), Sandra Gargan (SG)

**Attendees:**

2/21/2017 - Minutes

**1. Acceptance of Minutes**

a. 1/24/17

Mr. Durno opened the meeting at 7:00 PM. He announced the meeting is being televised by Pepperell Community Media, and the Secretary is recording the meeting.

A motion was made by Mrs. Malouin to approve the minutes of 1/24/17 and seconded by LaFleur. A vote was taken, all in favor.

**2. Correspondence**

a. January Expenditure Sheet

The Board discussed the Animal Inspector (AI) turning in her vehicle mileage so she can be reimbursed for her barn inspections and other calls.

The consensus of the Board is to have the AI, come in on a quarterly basis to update the board of what has been taking place with calls, incidents or concerns. The Board would like to have her come to the April meeting.

b. FY 2018 - Approved Budget

Mrs. Malouin mentioned the Fiscal 2018 budget has an increase of \$2009.00 over last year.

The Town Administrator, reviewed the proposed Board of Health (BOH) 2018 budget with the Chairman, and said the line items are simple and straightforward.

c. Annual Town Meeting

The Board discussed a warrant article to modify, add or delete the non-criminal disposition by-law, rule and regulations violations for the May town meeting.

The HA said the Board still has two more meetings before the warrant article is due date of 3/15/17.

**3. Old Business**

a. Presby System - Granting Health Agent Authority to Sign Groundwater Offset Permits

The HA explained how the Presby system, differs from Title 5, in that the Presby system allows for a 2 to 3 ft. groundwater offset, in addition to Title 5 requirements, as long as all criteria is met by the Engineer, and is included on the plans.

The HA asked the Board to continue to review Presby requests, until such time where they feel comfortable with the HA only reviewing.

b. Non-Criminal By-Laws - Discussion

The HA said, the BOH has never enforced any of these fines. The violations could be used as a last resort to have people comply with town by-laws.

Concerns were mentioned when homeowners don't have funds to fix their septic system, then the BOH issues fines on top. This is not the way to help people.

The HA said this is just another tool to use. She said there are protocols that have to be followed to get to this point. This would be the last resort.

The Board would like more time to review the by-laws.

Mr. Durno tabled the discussion until next meeting. The Board agreed.

**4. Permits / License**

a. 2 Idal St. - Irrigation Well

The HA said the paperwork is not ready.

b. Green Acres - Mobile Home Park

The HA said, all the necessary paperwork has been submitted.

Mrs. LaFleur made a motion to approve the permit at Green Acres, seconded by Malouin, all in favor.

c. Suburban Village - Mobile Home Park

The HA said all the necessary paperwork has been submitted.

Mrs. LaFleur made a motion to approve the permit at Suburban Village, Malouin seconded, all in favor.

d. 165 Nashua Rd - Pepperell Skydiving Center - Permit

The HA said the DPH, approved the variance request made by Pepperell Skydiving Center. She recommends the Board approve the permit, with the inspection taking place in late spring.

She was asked if the campground would be inspected before the it opens.

The HA said it would be inspected after it opens. The HA will talk to Jim, who inspects all campgrounds for a date.

Mrs. LaFleur made a motion to approve the Pepperell Skydiving Center permit, Malouin seconded, all in favor.

e. 5 Rileys Way - Well Permit

The HA said the well meets all the offsets and recommends approval.

Mrs. LaFleur made a motion to approve the well permit, seconded by Malouin, all in favor.

f. 5 Rileys Way (lot 14) - Septic System Permit (new)

The HA said this property has both a septic system, and a private well. She has put a stipulation on the septic permit that the well must pass the water test.

Mrs. LaFleur made a motion to approve the septic system permit at 5 Rileys Way, Malouin seconded, all in favor.

5. **Bill Warrant**

a. One

The Board signed the bill warrant.

6. **Open Discussion**

Mrs. Malouin mentioned Devens Regional Household Hazardous Products Collection is re-opening for the season on 3/1/17.

The schedule will be put on the web-site for all to view.

7. **Future Meeting Dates**

a. 3/7/17

Without further discussion Mr. Durno closed the meeting at 8:05PM.